

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hanae KAKU *et al.*
Serial No.: 10/591,576
Filed: 31 August 2006
Entitled: Chitin Oligosaccharide Elicitor-Binding Proteins

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was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/JP2005/003451, filed on
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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56,

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §§ 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

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